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## **Salamonie Bird Watching Club to hold meeting December 16 in conjunction with Holiday Open House Celebration**

The Salamonie Bird Club will hold a 12:30 p.m. meeting on December 16 at the Salamonie Interpretive Center. The public is invited to attend the meeting to get to know other birders and then to take part in the Holiday Open House at the Salamonie Interpretive Center.

Club members are bringing cookies to share for the open house celebration.

Marvin McNew, Director of the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, states "We are excited to provide a meeting place for this club, it fits our mission of managing for our natural resources by keeping track of species of birds that use the Upper Wabash Reservoirs as a home or as a resting place as they migrate through the State of Indiana. Our club enjoys looking for different species of birds. It's like finding lost treasure when we spot a bird someone in the group hasn't seen before. Our club wants to help educate families on the many different types of birds that pass through Indiana during migration and also on those resident birds that stay in the area. This is the same day as the Christmas Open House, I'm sure the birdwatchers will enjoy joining in the festivities."

The Salamonie Bird Club members will be participating in the Christmas Bird Count this year at their own chosen locations over the New Years Weekend. Call 260-468-2127 for information on how to participate.

The club currently meets on a quarterly basis with more frequent field trips. The next field trip will be an Eagle Watch field trip January 19, and the next meeting will be at the Silence of a Winter's Night workshop at J. Edward Roush Lake on January 26.

The Interpretive Center is located at Salamonie Reservoir in the Lost Bridge West Recreation Area on Highway 105 in western Huntington County.

Visit the Upper Wabash Reservoirs Interpretive Services (UWIS) web site at [www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis](http://www.dnr.IN.gov/uwis) for more information about Interpretive Services programs. Register by calling the UWIS, 260-468-2127 or visiting the Salamonie Interpretive Center.